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MEMORANDUM FOR: DEPUTY DIRECTOR (COORDINATION)

SUBJECT : Revision of NSCID #5

- 1. All interested parties have had our initial draft long enough to be prepared for at least a preliminary meeting on the subject next week.
- 2. Because the major issues involved are of direct concern to only the Agency and the Military Services rather than the Intelligence Community as a whole, I would recommend the use of a phased procedure:
 - Phase 1: Meeting of those Agency and Military representatives who normally handle Agreed Activity problems on a day to day basis; this group to identify the major areas of disagreement and attempt to solve them but with a deadline of two weeks, during which time the group can meet as often as they desire.
 - Phase 2: Meeting of representatives of all IAC agencies at which time the Agencies not participating in Phase 1, State, FBI, AEC and Joint Staff, would be briefed on the major unresolved issues, if any, and requested to give their views on the paper in general and on any portions which are of direct concern to them; this group would then make one more effort at resolution of the problems.
 - Phase 3: The draft paper with agreed portions; differing approaches, and areas of complete disagreement would be presented to the IAC for their consideration. If at this point there are major unresolved issues, I would recommend that your office submit to the IAC its version of a paper which in your view would represent the best resolution of the problems in the light of the Intelligence Community interests as a whole.
- 3. I would recommend that all the meetings be chaired by you, or myself acting in your behalf, if you do not wish to attend all phases.

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NOTES ON THE COUNTRY INTELLIGENCE PROBLEM

- 1. The response to the MSC relative to the counter intelligence problem referred to the BCI for recommendation in consultation with the IAC seems to require as a minimum:
 - a. Defining counter intelligence;
 - b. Allocating primary responsibility for counter intelligence activities abroad;
 - c. Indicating the authority of the Departments and Agencies for engaging in counter intelligence activities abroad;
 - d. Prescribing a method for affecting coordination of such activities among the Departments and Agencies;
 - e. Indicating or outlining how limited on counterintelligence activities will be carried on with foreign clandestine services and with overt government Agencies dealing in policy matters;
 - f. Indicating how coordination of counter intelligence activities abroad is to be coordinated with domestic counter intelligence activities;
 - g. Indicating or outlining any differences in pance and war time responsibilities.

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2. As to how the Director's response is to be made, we should consider whether a revision of MSCID 5 can provide an adequate response, whether a new MSCID will be necessary, or whether the matter should be referred to the IAC with a suggestion for establishing an ad hoc committee to consider the problem. Off-hand the MSCID 5 revision would appear to be in the best interests of the Agency.